In the claims

- 1. (Currently Amended) A support device comprising:
 - a shaft having a first end and a second end;
- threads disposed at the first end of the shaft for use in securing the device to a pole;

at least one rigid support member disposed on the second end of the shaft for supporting an object from the device, the at least one rigid support member being integral with the shaft; and

a pusher attached <u>integral</u> to the second end of the shaft and adapted to drive the <u>support device</u> <u>shaft</u> into the pole, the pusher including:

a driving end adapted to receive force applied from a piston of a powder driven tool, and

an extension portion extending from the driving end and contacting the support device, wherein the extension portion is integral with the shaft.

- 2. (Currently Amended) The <u>support</u> device of claim 1, wherein the <u>support device</u> <u>shaft</u> comprises stainless steel.
- 3. (Currently Amended) The <u>support</u> device of claim 1, wherein the <u>support device</u> <u>shaft</u> comprises titanium.
- 4. (Currently Amended) The <u>support</u> device of claim 1, wherein the shaft has a concave surface.
- 5. (Currently Amended) The <u>support</u> device of claim 1, further comprising a stop member positioned distally of the threads on the shaft.
- 6. (Currently Amended) The <u>support</u> device of claim 1, wherein the rigid support member comprises a curved portion.

- 7. (Currently Amended) The <u>support</u> device of claim 1, wherein the rigid support member comprises a ring portion.
- 8. (Currently Amended) The <u>support</u> device of claim 1, further comprising a plurality of rigid support members.
- 9. (Currently Amended) The <u>support</u> device of claim 1, wherein a first rigid support member comprises a curved portion and a second rigid support member comprises a ring portion.
- 10. (Currently Amended) The <u>support</u> device of claim 1, wherein the pusher comprises a concave surface.
- 11. (Currently Amended) The <u>support</u> device of claim 1, wherein the pusher comprises a planar surface.
- 12. (Currently Amended) The <u>support</u> device of claim 1, wherein the pusher is tapered.
- 13. (Currently Amended) The <u>support</u> device of claim 1, wherein the pusher comprises a hook portion.
- 14. (Currently Amended) The <u>support</u> device of claim 1, wherein the pusher is thinner than the shaft.
- 15. (Currently Amended) The <u>support</u> device of claim 1, wherein the pusher comprises a notch.
- 16. (Currently Amended) A pusher for driving a support device into an object, the driving device comprising:

a shaft;

receiving means adapted to receive for receiving force applied from a piston of a powder driven tool; [[and]]

extension means <u>for</u> extending <u>integrally</u> from the receiving means, the extension means <u>and</u> being <u>integrally</u> attached to [[a]] <u>the</u> shaft-of the support device,

wherein the support device includes rigid support means for providing rigid support for an object that is disposed integrally on the shaft for supporting an object; and retention

means for securing the support device shaft to a pole.

- 17. (Currently Amended) The <u>pusher support device</u> of claim 16, wherein the <u>extension</u> means <u>for extending</u> includes a notch for detaching the pusher from the <u>support device shaft</u>.
- 18. (Currently Amended) An support assembly comprising:

a powder driven tool including a powder cartridge and a trigger for actuating a piston within a barrel; and

a support device including a pusher on a first end where the pusher is located at least partially within the barrel and is adapted to receive[[d]] force applied from the piston for driving a second end of the support device into a pole,

wherein the support device comprises at least one or more of a curved portion and a ring portion.

- 19. (Original) The assembly of claim 18, further comprising a muzzle extender connected to the barrel of the powder driven tool for cradling the support device.
- 20. (Original) The assembly of claim 18, further comprising an extension pole for elevating the powder driven tool.